

85<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session – 2010

Committee: Senate State Affairs

Monday, March 29, 2010

P - Present  
E - Excused  
A - Absent

Roll Call

E Abdallah  
E Hanson (Gary)  
E Heidepriem  
P Knudson  
P Olson (Russell)  
P Rhoden  
P Turbak Berry  
E Gray, Vice-Chair  
P Dempster, Chair

OTHERS PRESENT: See Original Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Senator Thomas Dempster, Chair.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2010

Moved by: Knudson  
Second by: Olson (Russell)  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote.

MOTION: AN INTERIM STUDY OF THE POTENTIAL CREATION OF A DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AS A CABINET-LEVEL DEPARTMENT. THE SUMMER STUDY WOULD DEVOTE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE ITEMS LISTED IN SB 150.

Moved by: Knudson  
Second by: Olson (Russell)  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote.

MOTION: A STUDY OF THE RECENTLY PASSED FEDERAL HEALTHCARE FINANCE REFORM ACT. THIS LAW WILL HAVE A VERY SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS ON

THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA AND ITS CITIZENS. WHAT ARE THESE IMPACTS? WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF THE EXPANSION OF MEDICAID? WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON THE SOUTH DAKOTA RISK POOL? SHOULD SOUTH DAKOTA DEVELOP AN INSURANCE EXCHANGE? WILL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS IN SOUTH DAKOTA SUFFER OR GAIN? WHAT HEALTH INSURANCE LAWS NEED TO BE CHANGED? THIS SUMMER STUDY WOULD ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN THESE IMPACTS AND WILL HELP TO READY SOUTH DAKOTA FOR THEM.

Moved by: Knudson  
Second by: Olson (Russell)  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote.

MOTION: A STUDY OF ENERGY PRODUCTION IN THE STATE. SOUTH DAKOTA MAY BE ON THE CUSP OF BECOMING A MAJOR EXPORTER AND PRODUCER OF ENERGY. THIS SUMMER STUDY WOULD ATTEMPT TO DEFINE POLICIES SOUTH DAKOTA MUST ADOPT TO MOST SUCCESSFULLY EXPLOIT THESE OPPORTUNITIES.

Moved by: Olson (Russell)  
Second by: Turbak Berry  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote.

MOTION: ADJOURN

Moved by: Olson (Russell)  
Second by: Turbak Berry  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote.

Cheri Hauschild  
Committee Secretary

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Thomas A. Dempster, Chair